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Town Meeting December 4, 2017

Meeting called to order by Mayor Melton at 7:00 P.M. Leah Higginbotham, Alisa Scott, Barbara Reed, Billy Whittington, and Jenny Leighton are present.

The Pledge of Allegiance.

Barbara Reed made motion to approve minutes as read, Leah Higginbotham seconded, motion carried unanimously.

Mayor Melton presented council with a resolution to move \$750 from GF to Coal Severance fund temporarily in order to prevent getting a service fee from bank when amount in coal severance account drops below \$750.

Leah Higginbotham made motion to approve resolution to move \$750 from General Fund to Coal Severance, seconded by Barbara Reed, motion carried unanimously.

Council voted Title Reading Only.

First Reading of Article 546: Hypodermic Needles, "Ordinance to adopt an article in the general offenses chapter of the codified ordinances of the town of buffalo reading the possession, sales, and destruction of hypodermic needles within the town of Buffalo."

Mayor Melton received a bridge evaluation report from Randolph Engineering, concerning the Wrights Lane Bridge in which their recommendation of a sign "Passenger Vehicle Only" be put up, limiting which vehicles are allowed to cross the bridge.

Mayor Melton passed out a B&O Rates comparison form, it highlights the rates listed in Buffalo's current B&O Tax form vs. the rates called for according to our ordinances vs. the rates of other towns in the surrounding area. He informed council that the current form needs to be revised due to inadequacies in matching our ordinances and ambiguities.

Barbara Thaxton inquired about the revision of the current B&O form, whether or not business owners would be allowed to have a say on the rates and whether or not current operating businesses will be allowed to be grandfathered in on the current rates they are paying.

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Mayor Melton informed council that he was given several bids from different contractors, to install outlets in the shelter, and varying in amounts from \$2959.71 to \$3350.00, for council to consider.

Will Jordan gave the police report for the month of November.

Harold Payne, with Payne & Garlow Insurance Agency, presented council with information regarding the Public Entity Proposal- Travelers Property & Liability Package insurance renewal. He explained that higher budgets nets higher premiums and gave several recommendations to request a certificate of insurance from Putnam PSD showing the Town of Buffalo as an additional insured with respect to the sewer plant operation.

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Council elected to wait until next spring for the Frog City Park official opening and dedication. They elected to go ahead and install the park sign in place.

Leah Higginbotham made motion to adjourn. Alisa Scott seconded. Meeting adjourned at 9:30 P.M.

Attendance: Lawrence & Sharon Woods, Amanda Runion, Ronnie Harris, Alex Cornell, Chad & Barb Thaxton, Will Jordan, Herman Jividen, Larry Joe Tolley, Harold Payne, Connie Lewis, Belford Jividen, Susan Dempsey, Travis Blankenship, Tammy Severn, Bill Severn.

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